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In re Application of

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Title: AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR REDUCING STRAY  
FEEDBACK

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to claim 2,  
characterized in that  
said stray feedback element is a stray capacity (11, 12).

5. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to claim 2,  
characterized in that  
an adjustable voltage dividing means (VD) is provided for  
generating said fraction of said output signal.

6. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to claim 2, characterized in that said amplifier circuit is a transimpedance amplifier (20).

7. (Amended) A reproducing device comprising an amplifier circuit (20) as claimed in claim 2, a reproducing element (10) for generating said input signal, channel decoding and/or error correction means (30) coupled to an output of said amplifier circuit (20).

11. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, characterized by updating the value of said predetermined fraction during a start-up of a device in which said amplifier circuit is provided.

12. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, characterized by generating said predetermined fraction by a voltage dividing operation.

#### REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment to claims 4-7, 11, and 12 were made solely to avoid filing the claim in the multiple dependant form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicant respectfully reserves all rights she may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicant furthermore reserves her right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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## APPENDIX

4. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to ~~any one of~~  
~~the preceding claims 2,~~  
characterized in that  
said stray feedback element is a stray capacity (11, 12).

5. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to ~~any one of~~  
~~the preceding claims 2,~~  
characterized in that  
an adjustable voltage dividing means (VD) is provided for  
generating said fraction of said output signal.

6. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to ~~any one of~~  
~~the preceding claims 2,~~  
characterized in that  
said amplifier circuit is a transimpedance amplifier (20).

7. (Amended) A reproducing device comprising an amplifier  
circuit (20) as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims 2,~~  
a reproducing element (10) for generating said input signal,  
channel decoding and/or error correction means (30) coupled  
to an output of said amplifier circuit (20).

11. (Amended) A method according to claim 9 ~~or 10~~,  
characterized by  
updating the value of said predetermined fraction during a  
start-up of a device in which said amplifier circuit is  
provided.

12. (Amended) A method according to ~~any one of claims 9 to~~  
~~11~~,  
characterized by  
generating said predetermined fraction by a voltage dividing  
operation.